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For: System and method for implementing a two-layer z-range buffer

**PETITION FOR DUPLICATE LETTERS PATENT**

**Mail Stop Petition**

**Commissioner for Patents**

**P.O. Box 1450**

**Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450**

Sir:

The undersigned hereby petitions for a duplicate copy of the original letters patent in connection with the above-referenced patent.

The original patent was received by S3 Incorporated. S3 Incorporated later changed its name to SonicBlue Incorporated, and SonicBlue Incorporated assigned its interests in this patent to S3 Graphics Co., Ltd. These transfers are reflected in the assignment records of the Patent Office.

Through these various transfers, official patent files have similarly been transferred around and the original letters patent has been lost from the files. In fact, numerous patent files were involved in these transfers (not merely this single patent file), and representatives of the current owner have discovered that a number of the files they received are missing the original letters patents. The owner has made requests of counsel for the previous owners, and counsel have confirmed that the original patents

are not in their files. This application is one of the matters for which the original letters patent has been lost.

Therefore, the undersigned hereby petitions the PTO to re-print a duplicate copy of the original letters patent for U.S. patent No 6,473,082.

A credit card authorization is provided herewith to cover this petition fee. Any additional fee that may be required is hereby authorized to be charged to deposit account No. 20-0778.

Respectfully submitted,

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